

Morningside Monthly Meeting Report to NYQM 7/30/2011

Morningside continues to meet for Worship at 11:00 AM each First Day at Riverside Church on the 12th floor in the Tower. Childcare is on the eighth floor of the Tower. Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business was held on Sept 11th and Oct 2nd.

Ministry and Counsel continues to hold Welcoming Breakfasts at 9:30 am in the Riverside Church Café on the 4th First Day of the month and after meeting during the refreshment hour we have usually have 4th First Day singing, though in October it will be on 5th First Day.

During the week of Oct 30th we will be having a series of Quaker Sixes so Friends can get to know each other in a more informal way.

Morningside's ARCH visitors gave a presentation 9/25 to share information and forms and to begin a discussion about aging and end of life issues.

The meeting agreed to lend its name as a sponsor to The Campaign to End the New Jim Crow.

We are holding a Booksale today and next week to help raise funds for the meeting.

We contributed towards an ad in the *Amsterdam News* announcing the Bedford-Stuyvesant Worship Group which included information about NYC meetings as well.

We agreed to keep our contribution to the NYYM the same as last year.

We reported at the April quarterly meeting that we had agreed to have Vonn New create a new website and email distribution system for our meeting. We reached out to NYQM's M&C to see if they would like to be share the costs and technology and they have agreed while suggesting perhaps other the other meetings in the Quarter would also be interested. Vonn has submitted a proposal and NYQM's M & C has agreed to pay for the platform. Meetings can decide to pay varying amounts depending upon how much of an independent website they wish to invest in.

At our April business meeting Morningside approved minutes in support of parole reform. In April we forwarded a minute supporting the proposed Safe and Fair Evaluation (S.A.F.E.) Parole Act to NYQM asking the Quarter to consider endorsing it and to forward it to NYYM. Since there was not sufficient time to season this, the minute was not endorsed at that meeting. We are bringing this minute back for re-consideration at the October NYQM meeting.

In Friendship,
Sally Campbell, Clerk